loth March THE SUBSIDY AGREED

After further deliberations of the committee of the House of Commons, the articles which they have drawn up were read before the House It was resolved that a triple subsidy and six fifteenths and tenths to be paid in four years should be yielded to her Majesty towards the provision against the great and imminent perils of this Realm

II *th March* THE BUTCHERS DEFIANT

Many butchers, apart from those six specially licensed, do kill and make open sale of flesh The Warden of the Fish-mongers is ordered to call them before him and to examine them by what authority they do the same, certifying their names and dwelling-places, and from whence they received their licence He shall also examine the six licensed upon their oath what money they have paid to the Lord Mayor for their licences

12th March A BILL AGAINST RECUSANTS

A Bill against recusants was read in the Lower House for the first time When this Bill had been presented to the committee of the House, divers hard penalties in goods and lands were set down , but many of these were altered before the Bill came before the House Among the penalties proposed are these

A recusant shall be disenabled to be Justice of Peace, Major, Sheriff, etc

He shall forfeit for keeping a recusant in his house, either servant or stranger, .£10 every month

His children being ten years old shall be taken from him till they be sixteen to be disposed of at the appointment of four Councillors, the Justices of Assize, the Bishop of the diocese or the Justices of the Peace

He shall be disenabled to make any bargain or sale of his goods or chattels

MR DARCY'S UNSEEMLY CONDUCT

There have of late been complaints made of Mr Edward Darcy's patent for sealing of leather Yesterday he went to the house of the Lord Mayor to confer with him and with Sir George Barnes and Dr Fletcher, who usually attend the Lord Mayor in such cases They having said that in some